## • <u>Mr. Gu, Your Replacement Bride Is A Big Shot!</u>

891 Sister, Let Me Do It!

In the ward.

Gu Qi sat on a small stool beside the bed and guarded Xiao Shi. Thinking of what Uncle Chen Qing had said, he looked at Xiao Shi with heartache.

In her sleep, there were still tears in the corners of her eyes. When Gu Qi saw Xiao Shi like this, his heart ached. He reached out and carefully wiped her tears away.

His movements were very light, and he was very worried that he would wake Xiao Shi up.

At this moment, Xiao Shi's eyelashes trembled slightly. She slowly opened her eyes, and the scene of Song Man jumping out of the window flashed in front of her.

Tears instantly welled up in her eyes.

"Sister, what's wrong? Are you feeling unwell?" Gu Qi didn't understand why Xiao Shi was crying again. In a panic, he picked up a tissue from the bedside table and carefully wiped her tears.

When she saw Gu Qi, she was slightly stunned. There were still tears on her face.

Holding a tissue, Gu Qi carefully wiped Xiao Shi's tears. He asked softly, "Sister, if you're not feeling well, I'll call the doctor over!"

When she saw Gu Qi, she felt much better. She shook her head and sat up.

Gu Qi hurriedly raised Xiao Shi's pillow and placed it behind her.

Xiao Shi was slightly stunned. After some hesitation, she leaned against the bed uneasily.

This was the first time someone had taken the initiative to raise her pillow.

"Brother!" Xiao Shi called out softly. When she saw Gu Qi frown, she immediately fell silent.

Gu Qi slid down from the chair and stood beside the bedside table. He poured a glass of hot water and handed it to Xiao Shi. "Sister, is your throat uncomfortable? You'll be fine after drinking some hot water!"

Only then did Xiao Shi realize that Gu Qi did not despise her voice just now. Instead, he was worried that she was feeling unwell.

Obediently, she took the cup from him. Holding it with both hands, she gulped down the water.

After drinking a cup of water, she realized that she was indeed very thirsty. With this thought in mind, her gaze fell on the bedside table. Just as she was about to crawl over and pour some water, the cup in her hand was taken away by Gu Qi.

"Sister, let me do it!" As Gu Qi spoke, he was already standing by the bedside table, pouring water for Xiao Shi. Then, he handed the cup to her.

Xiao Shi did not take the cup immediately. She just stared at it, her eyes red-rimmed.

In the past, no matter what, she was the one who took care of herself and Mommy.

Even if she had a fever and felt unwell, she had to get up and take care of her mommy.

No, Song Man was no longer her mommy.

She had long been used to doing things herself. She had never dreamed that her brother would be taking care of her now.

Although she was not used to being taken care of, she could feel the warmth of her brother taking care of her.

Xiao Shi took the cup from Gu Qi and said, "Thank you, Brother!"

Gu Qi looked at Xiao Shi in confusion, then shook his head and said disapprovingly, "Xiao Shi, you shouldn't have thanked me!"

Xiao Shi looked at Gu Qi in confusion. Had she said something wrong?

"Xiao Shi, Mommy said that you're our little princess. Everyone should know that I'm your brother. I have to take care of you more!"

Xiao Shi's eyes turned red uncontrollably.

In the past, when she was with Song Man, she always said that she was a junior and had to take good care of her elders.

Xiao Shi blinked and looked at Gu Qi in confusion. She asked impatiently, "Did you just say Mommy? Has Daddy already found our biological mother? Where is she? I want to see her!"

Gu Qi shook his head and smiled brightly. "Although Daddy hasn't found our biological mother for us, I've already asked Auntie Nian Nian to be my mommy!"

Auntie Nian Nian?

Become his mommy?

Xiao Shi looked at the happy smile on Gu Qi's face, and her eyes gradually dimmed. She recalled how Auntie Nian Nian had hugged her previously, and how Auntie Nian Nian had told her a bedtime story.

Auntie Nian Nian was really gentle.

She was a little envious of Gu Qi because Gu Qi could make Auntie Nian Nian his mommy.

The twins seemed to have telepathy. Gu Qi seemed to understand what was on Xiao Shi's mind and asked, "Xiao Shi, what do you think of Auntie Nian Nian?"

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Xiao Shi pursed her lips and said softly, "Auntie Nian Nian is very gentle and good at taking care of people. She even..."

At this point, Xiao Shi paused. Auntie Nian Nian seemed to be omnipotent and knew everything. She couldn't find anything wrong with Auntie Nian Nian.

"Auntie Nian Nian is very good!" Xiao Shi nodded.

"Then does Sister like Auntie Nian Nian?"

"Yes," Xiao Shi said with pursed lips.

"Then is Sister willing to..." Halfway through his sentence, Gu Qi suddenly recalled what Qiao Nian had instructed him previously. He was worried that if he asked Xiao Shi to acknowledge Qiao Nian as her mommy now, she would be sad. Hence, he changed the topic and said, "Sister, no matter what, you're still my sister. When you want a Mommy in the future, I'll tell my Mommy."

At this moment, she was a little stunned.

Was it so easy to find someone to be her mommy?

Although her mind was filled with confusion, she still nodded obediently.

"Brother." Xiao Shi gave a faint smile.

When Gu Qi saw Xiao Shi smile, he heaved a sigh of relief and smiled.

At this moment, the door opened from the outside.

Qiao Nian walked in with a smile in her high heels. Her gaze landed gently on Xiao Shi's face. "Xiao Shi, I've just communicated with the doctor. The doctor said that your condition is much better now. You don't have to stay in the hospital anymore. I'll bring you home to rest!"

Xiao Shi nodded obediently.

She was really happy to be able to go home and rest.

Moreover, she did not want to stay here. Every time she lay on the bed, she could not help but recall Song Man jumping off the building.

That scene was simply too terrifying. She was so frightened that her heart was about to jump out of her throat.

"Xiao Shi, don't move. I'll pack your things." Gu Qi felt that the little princess should not do anything. Moreover, his sister had suffered so much in the past. He should take good care of her.

Gu Qi was helping Xiao Shi put the cup into her bag. His sharp eyes saw that Xiao Shi was about to get out of bed. He hurriedly put his bag aside and bent down to place Xiao Shi's shoes parallel to the ground before helping her out of bed.

Xiao Shi glanced at Gu Qi and was extremely touched. She put on her shoes and was about to walk out when a pair of high heels walked up to her.

She was about to look up when she noticed that Qiao Nian had already picked her up.

Xiao Shi wrapped her arms around Qiao Nian's neck, her heart beating faster and faster.

Being taken care of by her brother and being hugged by Auntie Nian Nian... Was this how it felt to have a family? Was this how it felt to be doted on?

Xiao Shi felt a lump in her throat. She buried her head in Qiao Nian's shoulder.

Seeing how obedient and adorable Xiao Shi was, Qiao Nian's lips curved up slightly. She reached out with her other hand and carried Xiao Shi's school bag on one shoulder, then reached out to pull Gu Qi along.

Gu Qi looked around but did not see Gu Zhou. He asked hesitantly, "Mommy, where's Dad?"

"Something suddenly happened at home. He went back first. I'll bring you back with me."

Gu Qi nodded and followed Qiao Nian out.

When they arrived at the parking lot, Qiao Nian placed Xiao Shi in the back seat and helped her fasten her seatbelt.

Gu Qi sat in the back seat on the right and fastened his seatbelt.

Qiao Nian smiled, then placed her bag in the front passenger seat. Only then did she get into the car and drive home.

Xiao Shi sat in the back seat and turned to look out of the window. As she watched the hospital go further and further away, she seemed to see Song Man standing there, smiling at her and waving at her.

Xiao Shi's eyes grew redder and redder. She wiped her tears imperceptibly and sniffed quietly.

About forty minutes later, Qiao Nian drove to the entrance of the Gu family villa.

Qiao Nian slung her backpack over one shoulder and got out of the driver's seat.

Gu Qi had already unbuckled his seatbelt and even took the initiative to unbuckle it for Xiao Shi.

Xiao Shi looked at Gu Qi gratefully. She sighed with emotion. It was so good to have a brother.

After the two children got out of the car, Qiao Nian locked it. Holding one child in each hand, she led them into the villa.

When they entered the door and saw the scene inside, they were all stunned.

893 Welcome Home

It was supposed to be night and it was very dark.

However, the courtyard of the Gu family villa was brightly lit.

There were many dancing cartoon dolls in the courtyard.

Beside the floor lamp were many colorful balloons. The balloons also had all kinds of cartoon characters and neon lights.

The entire Gu family had become a fairy tale.

At this moment, with a swish, fireworks flew into the sky and exploded, spelling out the words "Welcome Home".

After that, many fireworks exploded in the air one after another, illuminating the night sky.

A bright smile appeared on Xiao Shi's face, and her eyes were filled with joy. Her pupils were filled with beautiful fireworks.

After the fireworks ended, a cheerful nursery rhyme played in the courtyard.

Qiao Nian walked in with the two children. Under her feet was a red carpet. She felt as if she had transmigrated to a fairy tale world. Her lips curved up involuntarily.

At this moment, Gu Zhou was wearing a black tuxedo and a top hat. He walked up to Xiao Shi and gave them an elegant greeting. Then, he took

off his top hat and said gentlemanly, "Welcome home, my princess and prince!"

After Gu Zhou finished speaking, all the balloons in the courtyard flew into the night sky freely, and fireworks erupted again.

Xiao Shi's face was red as she stared blankly at the fireworks in the sky.

In the past, when she was in Hai Cheng, she had seen fireworks in the rich district.

She felt that fireworks were the most beautiful thing in the world. At that time, she thought that when she grew up, she would buy many, many fireworks for Mommy to see. That way, Mommy would be very happy.

Later on, Grandma next door told her that fireworks were especially expensive. Some large fireworks could cost tens of thousands.

Tens of thousands?

How many games would she have to play to earn so much money?

However, now, the especially expensive fireworks seemed to be free. They bloomed in the night sky one after another, and the words "Welcome Home" were written on them.

Xiao Shi's eyes watered.

Qiao Nian stood beside the two children. She looked up at the fireworks in the night sky, then at the sky full of balloons. Her maiden heart surged.

When the fireworks ended, Xiao Shi and Gu Qi threw themselves into Gu Zhou's arms.

Xiao Shi's lips curved into a bright smile. She looked at Gu Zhou with her wet eyes. It felt so good to have her father dote on her.

"Daddy!" Xiao Shi called out happily.

Gu Zhou squatted down and hugged Xiao Shi and Gu Qi. He looked at Xiao Shi gently. "Welcome home."

Xiao Shi's tears welled up in her eyes, and a warm current welled up in her heart.

She was extremely touched.

At this moment, she completely believed Auntie Nian Nian's words.

So those who really liked her and doted on her would not let her be hurt at all.

Tonight, she would go home and feel her father's love for her.

She had never even dared to dream of such a happy life in the past.

Seeing the three of them hugging, Qiao Nian couldn't help but laugh.

She finally understood why the doctor had said that Xiao Shi could be discharged early. Gu Zhou had said that there was an urgent matter. As he made a call, he walked out.

At that time, she believed that Gu Zhou really had something urgent to do, so she hadn't thought too much about it.

Now, it seemed that Gu Zhou was just preparing to welcome Xiao Shi home early.

Gu Zhou really wanted Xiao Shi to become the princess of the Gu family.

In the past, no matter what she did, Xiao Shi had to listen to others. Moreover, she had to take care of others.

But Xiao Shi's life was different now.

She was the eldest daughter of the Gu family.

She could be as innocent as a child. Besides, she should have lived a happy life like a little princess.

She hoped that she would grow up with sweet love and be able to forget the unhappiness of the past and live a happy life.

Qiao Nian's gaze fell on Gu Zhou. Gu Zhou was wearing a tuxedo. Under the spotlight, he looked like a high and mighty prince.

Qiao Nian still remembered what Gu Qi had told her previously.

At that time, Gu Qi had always felt that his father was very busy and did not come home at all, so he did not care about him.

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Later on, she found out that it wasn't that Gu Zhou didn't care about Gu Qi during that period of time, but that he couldn't care less about Gu Qi at all because he was unconscious when he fell ill.

Hence, she could understand Gu Zhou's helplessness back then.

After Gu Zhou woke up and he interacted with Gu Qi, Gu Zhou had always treated Gu Qi well in his own way.

When Gu Zhou understood Gu Qi's true needs, he quickly won Gu Qi's trust again.

The current Gu Zhou had already become a good father.

He said it all with his own practical actions. He was a safe haven for children, and an example for them.

At this moment, Qiao Nian sensed that Gu Zhou had been looking at her. She looked at him in confusion.

When Gu Zhou met Qiao Nian's gaze, a gentle smile appeared on his face.

He picked up a child in each hand and stared unblinkingly at Qiao Nian, his eyes burning.

Qiao Nian was slightly stunned, but she quickly reacted. She walked up to Gu Zhou and reached out to hug him and the two children.

The coldness around them instantly disappeared, leaving only warmth.

Qiao Nian was slightly stunned. This feeling was the same as when she had hugged Lu Zhu back then. This was the warmth in a family.

"Mommy!" Seeing Qiao Nian hug him, Gu Qi struggled to turn around and wrap his arms around Qiao Nian's neck.

Qiao Nian hurriedly hugged Gu Qi, worried that he would fall.

Gu Zhou's free hand wrapped around Qiao Nian's waist.

Qiao Nian slowly lowered her gaze, her lips curving up slightly as she enjoyed the warmth.

At this moment, Matriarch Gu walked out of the house wearing a European-style retro dress. She was dressed like a character from a fairy tale.

When Qiao Nian heard footsteps, she turned her head. Seeing Matriarch Gu approach, she called out, "Grandma!"

Gu Qi and Xiao Shi got out of Qiao Nian and Gu Zhou's arms and ran to Matriarch Gu with their short legs. The two children hugged Matriarch Gu.

"Great-grandmother!"

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When Matriarch Gu heard the childish voices of the two children, her eyes instantly turned red. She nodded and said in a choked voice, "Alright, alright. You're both great-grandmother's good children. Since you're already back, our family will live together forever!"

Gu Qi and Xiao Shi nodded.

Actually, on the way back, Xiao Shi still felt terrible.

Today, she had personally seen her mommy, who had raised her for five years, jump down from the hospital window.

During the day, she even had a nightmare.

But now, all of that had changed.

When she stepped into the Gu family villa, the sadness in her heart was completely dispelled by the warmth of her family. All that was left was happiness.

She had never dared to imagine such a happy life in the past.

Gu Zhou watched as the two children hugged Matriarch Gu. He reached out and wrapped his arm around Qiao Nian's waist, looking at her with a burning gaze.

Qiao Nian couldn't help but blush when she met Gu Zhou's gaze. She pursed her lips and hurriedly changed the topic. In a low voice, she said, "Xiao Shi is very happy!"

"If it weren't for you, I wouldn't have been able to do all this!" Gu Zhou said sincerely.

If Qiao Nian hadn't enlightened Xiao Shi, she might still be stuck in a dead end and wouldn't be able to come out for a while.

Just as Qiao Nian was about to say something, her phone suddenly rang. She subconsciously pushed Gu Zhou's hand away and turned her back to him. Only then did she take out her phone to look.

Gu Zhou looked at his hand, which was holding Qiao Nian's. His hand was still awkwardly in midair. He looked at Qiao Nian's back and couldn't help but laugh again.

He believed that he would definitely be honest with Qiao Nian in the future. There was no need to avoid each other.

Gu Zhou retracted his gaze from Qiao Nian and looked at the two children again.

Qiao Nian turned on her phone. When she saw the message, the smile on her face instantly disappeared, and her expression turned serious.

"After we cracked Song Man's phone, we realized that her last call was to Qiao Xin."

Qiao Nian's beautiful fox-like eyes were cold.

Qiao Xin?

Why was Song Man in contact with Qiao Xin?

What was their relationship?

895 Investigating Song Man

Qiao Nian's frown deepened. She pursed her lips tightly.

Song Man had been living in the slums of Hai Cheng for the past five years. Logically speaking, it was impossible for Song Man and Qiao Xin to know each other.

It was definitely not a good thing that the two of them were in contact now.

If she wasn't wrong, the two of them should be working together to deal with her.

Although Song Man was no longer around, Qiao Xin was still alive. Qiao Xin would never let the matter rest.

Qiao Nian replied.

"Continue to crack Song Man's phone and send me all the content on her phone, especially her messages with Qiao Xin. Have you found out when Song Man did the bone marrow transplant? Also, when did she lose her arm?" Sixth Brother said, "I'll send you all the data on Song Man's phone after I crack it. We haven't found out about Song Man's bone marrow transplant yet. It'll probably take some time. We'll have to investigate her arm slowly."

Qiao Nian's frown deepened.

If Song Man knew who the biological mother of the two children was, did that mean that she knew very well what had happened five years ago?

Previously, Gu Zhou had also been investigating the mothers of the two children, but there was no news of her.

At that time, Gu Zhou had even said that someone had been interfering with his investigation of the child's mother.

At that time, she was still puzzled. The Gu family was so powerful. How did the other party hide from the Gu family?

Now, it seemed that the other party was not a pushover either.

Qiao Nian opened the zip file Sixth Brother had sent her. She clicked on it, and another phone appeared in the middle of the phone screen. That was Song Man's phone data.

Qiao Nian's first reaction was to open the chat history, because many things could be displayed in the chat history.

The content of Song Man's chat app was too simple. She had communicated with a total of six people.

She only had thirteen friends.

Qiao Nian casually opened a chat history and realized that it was a message from Song Man and an uncle selling buns. The general content was that Song Man had already agreed with the uncle on the number of buns to buy. Song Man had also transferred the money over. When the time came, she would just go get the buns.

From this, it could be seen that Song Man and Xiao Shi were very poor in Hai Cheng.

However, this also indirectly meant that Song Man was a ruthless person. In order to enter the Gu family, she had lived such a poor life in Hai Cheng for five years.

She looked at another message. It seemed to be from an auntie. She was roughly discussing the price of washing clothes with Song Man.

Qiao Nian took a closer look at the conversation and realized that when Song Man was in Hai Cheng, she must have been making money by washing clothes for others.

Suddenly, Song Man's fair hands and her calloused hands flashed across Qiao Nian's mind.

Could it be that Song Man had give the job to Xiao Shi?

Xiao Shi was washing clothes and earning money in Hai Cheng?

Qiao Nian clenched her fists involuntarily.

No wonder she realized that her hands were very rough when she looked at Xiao Shi. So this was how Song Man took care of Xiao Shi!

If Song Man was still alive, she wanted to go over and slap her a few times.

Qiao Nian couldn't bear to read this chat anymore. She continued to scroll through the other content. The next two lines were some unimportant content. It seemed to have been sent by Song Man's neighbor. They were all chatting about daily life.

When Qiao Nian saw the last message, her expression darkened, and she exuded a cold aura.

If she wasn't wrong, the person Song Man was chatting with should be a doctor. Song Man seemed to be asking that doctor about taking sleeping pills.

She glanced at the time. It was around ten in the morning. At that time, she had come with Gu Zhou once.

At that time, Gu Zhou left without paying Song Man much attention.

It seemed that Song Man wanted to stay in the Gu family and was worried that Xiao Shi would cause trouble, so she wanted to give Xiao Shi sleeping pills to let her sleep more.

However, Xiao Shi took it too hard and ate more than half a bottle of sleeping pills.

When she realized this, Qiao Nian couldn't help but sigh. Xiao Shi was really a silly child.

Adult matters had nothing to do with children.

Why should Xiao Shi stubbornly blame herself for all of this?

Could it be that when she was in Hai Cheng, she had suffered so much that she was already used to putting all the blame on herself?